



Hello, welcome to our
summer newsletter

Back in bloom

The mild spring after the violent winter storms saw our summer crop of scented pinks get off to a flying start and we are predicting that the quality is even better than ever.

After a few years trialling different and more sustainable ways to grow our scented pinks, this summer will see more than half of our crop grown in a new system of reusable tubs filled with sustainable coir fibre; all fed and watered with computer-controlled, precision 'trickle' irrigation to preserve our precious water supplies. Coir fibre comes from the husks of coconuts – it is an unwanted by-product which is supplied as dried and compressed bricks. Coir is an excellent growing

medium for us, not only because it is renewable (unlike traditional peat) but also because it is much less bulky to ship to the islands due to its compressed and dehydrated nature. Who knows perhaps in the future we can use our golden beaches and sunny climate to grow our own coconuts... Now there's a thought!

TURN OVER TO ENTER
OUR COMPETITION



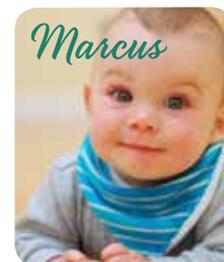
GREAT VALUE FLOWERS
Posy Pack £10.50 | 30 flowers £15.00
40 flowers £17.00 | 50 flowers £18.50
60 flowers £20.00

P&P included



30 TINY TOES

We are pleased to announce the safe arrival of three lovely babies to parents who work at Churchtown Farm. First to arrive was Marcus McLachlan who made the national news when mum Ella gave birth in a Royal Navy helicopter en route to hospital in Truro. Waiting for them in the maternity wing were our operations manager Neil and his wife Lanie who was already in labour with Cooper Wood who was born just five hours later. Then in April along came Jowan, whose parents Jon and Steph Haggerty both work at the Farm. It seems we're in the



midst of a baby boom as these three account for only half of the six babies born on St Martin's during the last year. Our island school teacher says he is already looking forward to the challenge in a few years time!

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YOUR KIND WORDS

Thank you so much to all of you who contacted us to ask how we were coping during last winter's extreme weather. Stuck out on the edge of the Atlantic we experienced some spectacular sights as the wind and waves battered Scilly but we were lucky to escape relatively unscathed, our tall shelter belt hedges did a great job and our pickers braved some pretty horrible weather to pick our scented narcissi at the right stage so they didn't get too damaged in the fields.



COMPETITION TIME

Win half a dozen big boxes of Scilly flowers to enjoy yourself or share with friends. All you have to do is come up with a caption for this picture of Bramble helping to pick the pinks.

You can enter the competition online at www.scillyflowers.co.uk/summer-caption or send your entry by post remembering to include your contact details. All entries need to be with us by 30/9/14, full terms and conditions can be viewed on the web page above.



Cow update

Our beef herd has been out and about conservation grazing for the Isles of Scilly Wildlife Trust – and after the adventures of “Ding Dong”, the bull we borrowed from Troytown Farm on St Agnes, hopefully we will be calving in the Autumn.



Scilly scented pinks make a great value gift whether you are marking a milestone anniversary or you just want to let a loved one know you are thinking of them.

Order your flowers today online at scillyflowers.co.uk or call **01720 422169** and speak to our friendly phone team here at Churchtown Farm.

And don't forget you can order with confidence as all our flowers are fully guaranteed, if you ever have a problem with our flowers please just let us know straight away so we can put things right.



The Julian Family and the Churchtown Team

P.S. More pinks up for grabs – mini competitions will pop up on our Facebook page and our twitter feed over the summer so follow us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/ScillyFlowers) or [@scillyflowers](https://twitter.com/scillyflowers) to be in with a chance. Good luck!

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

The eagle-eyed amongst you may have noticed a change to our logo. Way back in the mists of time (about 22 years ago to be more accurate), Andrew and Hilary Julian began selling scented flowers by post from Churchtown Farm and hit on the rather excellent name of 'Scent from the Islands'. Then internet shopping came along and we started using the web address scillyflowers.co.uk. You don't need to be a hot shot business consultant to work out that three names for one business is confusing, if not a little greedy, so in the interests of clarity you will see us start using our new Scilly Flowers logo a little bit more.

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SCILLYFLOWERS.CO.UK